Sunday 22nd November 2026 (The Solemnity of Christ The King)

RC CHURCHES OF MAYFIELD & WADHURST

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON

PARISH NEWS:

PRAYERS FOR OUR DEPARTED FRIENDS & RELATIVES
Those whose names were noted in the book for the All Souls Mass will automatically be prayed for at every Mass during November. If you would like a Mass said for an individual or family members please put the details in a brown envelope and pass to Father Raymond (Mayfield parishioners) or leave in the parish post box (Wadhurst).

TAIZE SERVICE - SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER AT 7.30PM.
We are invited to join pupils and staff in Mayfield School Chapel for an evening of meditative prayer and music in preparation for Advent.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL invite parishioners to the Year 1 Nativity dress rehearsal at 11am on Tuesday 1st December. There will also be a School Advent Mass at 9.15am on 1st December.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED
We had a wonderful turnout for our Red Wednesday Mass at Sacred Heart.
There are still some beautiful Christmas cards and gifts available to buy after Mass.
You can pay with cash or by selecting "Second Collection" on the card machine

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS SACRED HEART
Some beautiful homemade decorations have already been left in the box in the annexe. Let us try and fill it with heart shapes in any medium to create a beautiful Christmas tree display. Latest date for entries Wednesday 2nd Dec.

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newsletter submissions:

Deadline for submissions to the parish newsletter is by midnight every Wednesday, as some items come in late and cannot be included in time for the newsletter to be circulated.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS 9am Mass is now live streamed from Sacred Heart Church each Sunday via YouTube. The channel is not a public one, so anyone requiring access should request the link by emailing wadhurst@abdiocese.org.uk.

CONTACTLESS CARD MACHINE The machine in the Sacred Heart Annexe has now been set up to enable parishioners to indicate whether they are making a payment for the first collection, or another named collection. It is very easy to use but please ask for help if you have any difficulties

PARISH POSADA
During advent, many catholic countries have a statue of Mary, Joseph, and the Donkey journey around their parish. We are starting this tradition this year. If you would like to take part, please sign up on the date you would like to receive the statue. You are then responsible for taking it to the next household on the list. The list is available to sign after each Sunday Mass in Mayfield. A leaflet will accompany the statue with prayer suggestions. A mince pie to accompany each handover would be good!

CAFOD CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING, SATURDAY 19TH DECEMBER, FROM 10.30 - 12.30 IN THE COURTYARD, MAYFIELD SCHOOL
* We need bottles of any kind for the Bottle Stall.
* We need different kinds of chocolate for the Chocolate Tombola
boxes for bottles and chocolates are in the Chapel, St Thomas's and at Sacred Heart.
Many thanks from the CAFOD group.

NOURISH
As part of our Christmas Nourish appeal, raffle tickets will be on sale at Sunday Masses on the 29th November and 6th December, with the draw taking place after Mass on December 13th. Please take the opportunity to buy your tickets with the chance to win a range of prizes including some beautiful craftwork by our own parishioners!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2027
Sacred Heart School will be running First Holy Communion preparation sessions for children in Year 3 and above, beginning in January 2027. Sessions will take place at Sacred Heart School on Thursdays, from 3.45pm to 4.45pm, with the First Holy Communion Mass planned for Sunday 23rd May at Sacred Heart Church.
We warmly welcome children from both the school and the wider parish who would like to prepare to receive this special Sacrament. If you are interested in your child taking part, please speak to Fr Raymond in the first instance and then email Antonia Gabriel at deputyhead@sacredheartwadhurst.org.uk to register your interest.
Please register your interest by Sunday 13th December 2026

ADVENT SERVICE - SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER AT WADHURST PARISH CHURCH
Churches Together in Wadhurst (CTIW) invite you to an Advent Service of readings and music which will take place at 6.30pm on the First Sunday of Advent. The service will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies. All welcome to come along to this first CTIW service in the newly reordered Parish Church. If you need a lift please let Father Raymond or Toni know.

ROSARY: After Friday Mass at St Thomas' and on Wednesdays at 9.30am at Sacred Heart.
MOTHERS PRAYERS: Monday after 10am Mass at Virginia Longin's. Wadhurst, 2nd Friday of the month.

MAYFIELD SCHOOL CHAPEL: Parishioners are reminded to leave via the 6th Form centre at the back of the chapel after Sunday Mass.

DIOCESAN/EXTERNAL NEWS:

COP31, THE UNITED NATIONS' ANNUAL CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE, BEGAN EARLIER THIS WEEK IN TURKEY.
Interim data from the UK Health Security Agency estimates that there were close to 2,900 heat-associated deaths from the May and June 2026 heatwaves, with the Met Office provisionally declaring this summer as the hottest on record. Its 2025 State of the UK Climate Report is clear that the UK is warming, weather extremes are increasing, and the months between October to March are due to become wetter.

Care for our common home is important to people and communities across our Diocese. Earlier this week, Lorna Gold, Executive Director of the Laudato Si' Movement (LSM), met with members of the Southern Diocese Environment Network to explain the importance of creating sustainable communities, system change, and nourishing eco-spirituality.

Although predominantly a Catholic movement, Lorna emphasised the importance of people across local communities working together, highlighting that multi-faith and ecumenical partnerships often follow. The Laudato Si' Movement uses the Laudato Si' phrase: "Together we respond to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor." The meeting ended with a prayer for COP31.

LSM runs two key annual campaigns, the Season of Creation each September and the Europe Be Faithful to Our Common Home campaign. A number of diocesan parishes and schools are caring for the environment by following CAFOD's LiveSimply programme. You can find out more here. Source: ICN.

MASS TIMES *Intentions/Feast Days*

SUNDAY	**9am** Sacred Heart *intention for the members of Sacred Heart and Mayfield Catholic Church.*
	11am Mayfield School Chapel
MONDAY	**10am** St Thomas of Canterbury Mayfield, *Intention for Mark Peter, RIP*
TUESDAY	**6pm** Holy Hour in Mayfield School Chapel, *Feast Day of Saints Andrew Dũng-Lạc and his Companions*
WEDNESDAY	**10am** Sacred Heart, *Intention for Arthur Reginald Kent RIP, Mary Kent RIP, William Birch RIP, Donald Clover + Priest RIP, Stuart Frederick Upton RIP, Dorothy Maude Williams RIP, Kevin Francis Gaskin + Priest RIP, Charles Jeffries + Priest RIP, Mary Devereaux RIP, William Stanley Wolfe RIP, Roma Ogilvie-Watson RIP, Owen Lee RIP, Martin O'Connor + Priest RIP, Carol Russell RIP, Anne O'Rorke RIP*
THURSDAY	*(PRIVATE MASS)*
FRIDAY	**10am** St Thomas of Canterbury Mayfield
SATURDAY	*(PRIVATE MASS), Intention for Maria Gomes, RIP*

CONFESSIONS: After Monday, Wednesday or Friday mass or by appointment.

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